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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Competition in business is what America is all about, and drives a thriving economy. I live outside a small rural town, and without a small internet provider, I would not have internet. The big companies don't care about us, and would take months or even years to get reliable, affordable internet to us. Having fiber optic at my home from a local provider is very nice.

I deal with one of the big companies in my business which is available in the town my business is in. I don't want to have to deal with them at home! It is expensive and at times unreliable, which is frustrating enough in an area they are supposed to be grounded in.

Keep internet competition alive!

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